

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 1, 2, 5, 7, 8, 9, and 15 are pending in this application.

Applicant respectfully submits that the method as now claimed is fully enabled. This amendment requires the thiol (R'SH) to be mycothiol, and requires the disulfphide (R'SSR) produced from the mycothiol to be 2-S-(mycothioly)-6-hydroxynaphthalenedisulphide. The group R is, accordingly, restricted by this amendment to 6-hydroxynaphthalene. The words, "and R is a substituted or unsubstituted polynuclear aromatic group" have been deleted from claim 1 as they are redundant, since R has already been limited to 6-hydroxynaphthalene.

The amendment further requires R" to be 2-thiopyridyl. Hence, claims 6, 12 and 13 were also cancelled as being redundant.

Allowance of the pending claims is respectfully requested. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required in this application under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16-1.17 during its entire pendency, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 06-1135.

Respectfully submitted,

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